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Bill to help victims of ID theft wins Senate committee approval

LANSING – The Senate Judiciary Committee this week approved legislation that would help victims of identity theft re-establish their credit, announced Sen. Laura Toy, sponsor of the bill.

“Victims of identity theft face all kinds of challenges as a result of this terrible crime,” said Toy, R-Livonia. “This is one way we can make it easier for them to prove they have been victimized.”

Under Senate Bill 1384, a victim of identity theft would be entitled to a police report from the law enforcement agency that has jurisdiction over the violation.

Toy also is sponsoring SB 794, which would enable a victim to obtain from a local prosecuting attorney a standardized certificate to legally prove they were the victim of identity theft.

SB 1384 bill now goes before the full Senate.

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